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Arizona Department of Public Safety seizes more than half a million in U.S. currency during traffic stop near Flagstaff

On June 20, 2008, at 9:35 a.m., an Arizona Department of Public Safety Officer stopped a 2008 Cadillac for a moving violation on I-40 at milepost 202 (near Flagstaff). A search of the vehicle with the help of DPS Canine "Gabby" revealed \$602,473 in a suitcase in the trunk.

The suspect was traveling from Atlanta to Las Vegas.

Arrested: Randy Robert Durham, 32, of Spokane, Washington. He was booked into the Coconino County Jail for money laundering.

"This shows the lengths to which the drug cartels will go in order to get their cash to their dealers and distributors across the country. Our Officers that patrol the section of Interstate 40 that runs through Arizona are always vigilant as they make these traffic stops," said Roger Vanderpool, director of the Arizona Department of Public Safety.